Appl. No. 10/734,214 Amdt. dated July 5, 2007

Reply to FINAL OA of March 5, 2007

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1 and 2. (Canceled)

3. (Previously presented) An accelerator pedal module (1) for controlling the power of a driving engine comprising,

a bearing block (4) embodied as a one-piece molded part comprising a bearing region having a bearing bore (98) and at least one bearing face (82),

a pedal lever (2) retained rotatably on said at least one bearing face (82) and being coaxial with a pivot axis (20) on the bearing block (4),

a rotation sensor (102) having a sensor shaft (100) actuated by the pedal lever (2), the sensor shaft being coaxial with the pivot axis (20), and at least a part (104) of the sensor shaft (100) being directly supported rotatably in the bearing bore (98) of the bearing region of the bearing block (4), wherein at least part of a radial surface of said bearing region forms said at least one bearing face (82) for the pedal lever (2), wherein the bearing region is formed by a hollow peg (78) of the bearing block (4), the hollow peg being coaxial with the pivot axis (20) and further comprising at least one additional partly cylindrical outer surface (74, 82) of different diameter embodied on the radially outer surface of the hollow peg (78).

Appl. No. 10/734,214 Amdt. dated July 5, 2007

Reply to FINAL OA of March 5, 2007

- 4. (Previously presented) The accelerator pedal module according to claim 3, further comprising complementary bearing faces (88, 90) of the pedal lever (2) that are coaxial with the pivot axis (20) and partly cylindrical, and are associated with the bearing faces (74, 82) of the hollow peg (78).
- 5. (Previously presented) The accelerator pedal module according to claim 4, further comprising a restoring spring system (10) for restoring the pedal lever (2) to an idling position, the restoring spring system (10) tensing the bearing faces (88, 90) of the pedal lever (2) against the bearing faces (74, 82) of the bearing block (4).
- 6. (Previously presented) The accelerator pedal module according to claim 5, wherein the pedal lever (2) is guided between two cheeks (14) that are integral with the bearing block (4).
- 7. (Previously presented) The accelerator pedal module according to claim 6, wherein the sensor shaft (100) is rotationally coupled directly to the pedal lever (2) by means of at least one driver (110) protruding radially through a wall of the hollow peg (78).
- 8. (**Previously presented**) The accelerator pedal module according to claim 7, wherein one end (104) of the sensor shaft (100) is rotatably supported in the bearing bore (98) of the hollow peg (78), and the other end (106) of the sensor shaft is rotatably supported in a sensor housing (108) that is fixed on the bearing block (4).

Appl. No. 10/734,214 Amdt. dated July 5, 2007

Reply to FINAL OA of March 5, 2007

9. (Previously presented) The accelerator pedal module according to claim 8, wherein the

driver (110) is embodied integrally with either the pedal lever (2) or the sensor shaft (100).

10. (Previously presented) The accelerator pedal module according to claim 9, wherein the

hollow peg (78) of the bearing block (4) comprises a slot (112), open toward the sensor

housing (108), for the lateral introduction of the driver (110).

11. (Previously presented) The accelerator pedal module according to claim 10, wherein the

driver comprises a driver pin (110), embraced in a recess (114) in the pedal lever (2) or in the

bearing block (4).

12. (Previously presented) The accelerator pedal module according to claim 11, wherein the

recess is formed by a blind bore (114), whose cross section is smaller than the cross section

of the driver pin (110), at least one side wall of the blind bore being elastically deformable

upon introduction of the driver pin (110).